

REMARKS

Claims 1-6 were pending in the application. Claims 1, 3, and 4 have been amended. In addition, the specification has been amended to comply with 37 C.F.R. §1.821. No new matter has been added. Accordingly, claims 1-6 will remain pending in the application upon entry of the instant amendments.

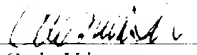
The specification has been amended to insert the substitute Sequence Listing, and Applicants respectfully request that the pages of the claims and Abstract be renumbered, if necessary.

Applicants also file concurrently herewith to Box Sequence a computer readable form (diskette) of the substitute Sequence List. Applicants submit that the initial computer-readable form of the substitute Sequence Listing is identical in substance to the paper copy of the substitute Sequence Listing, pages 1-45. Applicants further submit that the initial computer readable form of the Sequence Listing contained on the enclosed diskette and the paper copy of the substitute Sequence Listing comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.821 and 1.825. No new matter has been added.

CONCLUSION

If a telephone conversation with Applicants' attorney would expedite the prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is urged to call Applicants' attorney at (617) 227-7400. Please charge any fees required for consideration and entry of this Preliminary Amendment, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-0080.

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